



# Relationship w/Jesus

## ARTICLE

# Cheer Up!

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Reader's Digest placed an article in the April 2012 Issue called "Cheer Up!" 17 reasons it's a great time to be alive. Good article. When I read this I felt the Holy Ghost move upon me to write "Cheer up!" from a biblical standpoint. How I view it, there are more than 17 reasons it's a great time to be alive however for the sake of time and space, I used only 10 of the 17 RD's reasons So Keep in mind all ten of these subtitles are borrowed from RD's article:

- 1.) **WE ARE BETTER OFF NOW** ☺ After born again we are way better off. The longer we get to live for the Lord the closer we get to Him. That precious relationship with Jesus just keeps getting better and better. *"Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy."* **James 5:11**
- 2.) **THE IMPORTANT STUFF STILL COST LESS** ☺ The Holy Ghost! (\*Enough said\*) *"For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."* **Romans 14:17**
- 3.) **POPULATION GROWTH IS NOT A THREAT** ☺ We are told by Jesus to reach out and find those who are lost. We are biblically encouraged to see population growth in the church. *"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."* **Mark 16:15**
- 4.) **OIL IS NOT RUNNING OUT** ☺ Yes! Thank The Lord! God's Holy Anointing Oil is not running out. In fact there is an abundance of Holy Ghost for everyone; for whosoever will! *"For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call."* **Acts 2:39**
- 5.) **WE ARE THE LUCKIEST GENERATION** ☺ We are living in the generation who gets to have the infilling of the Holy Ghost (Jesus' Spirit in us) We also get to see the end time prophecies fulfilled; the plan of God unfold before our very eyes. We are pretty fortunate. *"Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed."* **John 20:29**
- 6.) **STORMS ARE NOT GETTING WORSE** ☺ Jesus is the Sabbath in which we can rest when the storms of life occur. Seems like everyone is going through some great difficulty in their lives today. Living for Jesus that just means you are the called. And the called, in order to become close to God, they must endure the storms. The way I see it, the storms don't get worse they just seem to happen all at once. *"That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:"* **1 Peter 1:7**



7.) **GREAT IDEAS KEEP COMING** 😊 More and more I hear great nuggets of truth from the Bible and Saints are still digging deep to find even more nuggets of truth today I love to find something new in the Bible (Well. new to me.) I also love to hear preaching on something new. Yes! Great Revelations Keep Coming. *"For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ."* **Galatians 1:12**

8.) **WE CAN SOLVE ALL OUR PROBLEMS** 😊 Yes, we can; through Jesus. Jesus has always been the answer for any problem. *"If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king."* **Daniel 3:17**

9.) **THIS DEPRESSION IS NOT DEPRESSING** 😊 Right Depression economically and spiritually will not kill us. We can trust in God to deliver us from them both. *"Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all."* **Psalms 34:19**

10.) **OPTIMISTS ARE RIGHT** 😊 Optimistically is the only way to view Jesus. God is positive for any life. It is impossible to be a pessimistic Christian. There is no such occurrence of a pessimistic Christian; it's a major oxymoron. If you are pessimistic, then you are not a Christian. Christians are Optimists. We have hope. Hope in Jesus. *"Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him for the help of his countenance."* **Psalms 42:5**

